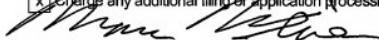


AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER				Docket No. 1556-0108PUS1	
Application No. 10/584,446-Conf. #4158	Filing Date January 8, 2007	Examiner L. J. Schuberg	Art Unit 1657		
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BIOPOLYMER BASED ON LACTOCOCCUS LACTIS NRRL B-30656, PROCESS FOR Invention: CULTURING LACTOCOCCUS LACTIS NRRL B-30656, AND PROCESS FOR PREPARING THE BIOPOLYMER					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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